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APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR

Sir:

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants, through their attorneys, hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) for a three-month extension of time in which to file a response to office action of September 19, 2006. Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0522 in the amount of \$1020.00 for the three-month fee.

In the event that the foregoing request or fee calculation is incorrect, this Petition should be construed as one for sufficient time to permit timely filing of the present reply. Any additional fee which is due in connection with this Petition should be applied against our Deposit Account No. 19-0522.

Respectfully submitted,

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